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Letter dated 8 November 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to call your attention to the statement concerning Kosovo issued on 6 November 2001 by the Presidency of the European Union on behalf of the European Union (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and its annex distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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Statement concerning Kosovo issued on 6 November 2001 by the Presidency of the European Union on behalf of the European Union

The European Union welcomes the call made to Kosovo's Serbs on 3 November 2001 by the President of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Mr. Kostunica, to participate in the election to be held in Kosovo on 17 November 2001. The European Union has consistently highlighted the importance of participation in the poll by all of Kosovo's communities, in order for them to be represented in the new, provisional democratic institutions and help establish a genuinely democratic, multi-ethnic society.

The European Union also welcomes the signing on 5 November 2001, by the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) and the authorities in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, of the UNMIK-Federal Republic of Yugoslavia joint document concerning cooperation on matters of mutual interest between UNMIK and the future elected authorities in Kosovo, on the one hand, and the authorities in Belgrade, on the other, under Security Council resolution 1244 (1999).